आरम्भिक रूप में नेयवेली लिग्नाइट कारपोरेशन (ने० लि० का०) द्वारा क्रियान्वित की जानी थी। किन्तु ने०लि०का० के पास स्रोतों की कमी होने के कारण इस परि० को राज्य/संयुक्त निजी क्षेत्र को स्थानान्तरित किए जाने की सम्भावना है।

Settling claims of Bangladesh Freedom Fighters

@ 1870. SHRI GURUDAS DASGUPTA : Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that the Calcutta High Court has issued a Writ of Mandamus upon Government of India directing it to take effective steps for settling the claims of the petitioners (freedom fighters) fully and finally within a period of six months by giving an opportunity of hearing to them in respect of their properties in East Pakistan, (now Bangladesh) and June 1991 ; and

(b) if so, what are the details thereof made absolute the rule issued on 12th and what action has been taken thereon ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE, CIVIL SUPPLIES, CONSUMER AFFAIRS AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (SHRI KAMALUDDIN AHMED) : (a) and (b) Yes Sir. The Honourable Calcutta High Court has passed such a judgement. The Government has filed a stay petition and preferred an appeal against the judgement. The matters is sub-judge.

Impact of European Imports

1871. SHRI KRISHAN LAL SHARMA : Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that India has agreed to erase impact of European imports into the country ;

(b) whether it is also a fact that European community has imposed a heavy duty on several items of imports from India ;

(c) if so, details thereof ; and

(d) what action is being taken to rectify the position ?

THE MINISTER OF COMMERCE (SHRI PRANAB MUKHERJEE) : (a) No Sir.

(b) Trade with European Union is carried out in the multi-lateral framework of GATT which enjoins non-discrimination between nations, inter-alia, on the matter of import duties.

(c) and (d) Do not arise.

Non-Payment of Wages to Tea Garden Workers

1872. SHRI RATNA BAHADUR RAI : Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government have received any representation regarding the non-payment of wages and salaries to the employees working in Retong, Vah-Tukver and Pashok Tea gardens under the T.T.C.I. in Darjeeling Hills ;

(b) if so, what steps are being taken to redress the problems of these employees; and

(i) if not, the reasons therefor ?

THE MINISTER OF COMMERCE (SHRI PRANAB MUKHERJEE) : (a) Representations have been received from various quarters regarding non-payment/ delayed payment of salaries and wages to workers and employees of Pashok Vahtukvar and Petong Tea Estates owned and managed by Tea Trading Corporation of India Ltd.

(b) and (c) Tea Trading Corporation of India Ltd. have informed that some

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